

PETERSBURG ASSIGNMENT

Dry Goods Company Embarrassed and Unable to Meet Maturing Obligations.

STRIKERS RESUME PLACES

Petersburg Canal Improvement Being Pushed by Night and Day Forces—Broken Jaw.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, Va., Jan. 22.—A deed of assignment was filed here to-day by the Talley Dry Goods Company, retail dealers, of Petersburg. R. D. Gilliam is named as trustee. The assets and liabilities are not given, but the deed recites that the company having become financially embarrassed and unable to meet maturing obligations, it had been decided by the directors to make an assignment of all assets for the benefit of creditors, without preference.

The electoral board for Petersburg will not be appointed until next month, when Judge J. M. Mullen will name the members of the board.

STRIKERS GO BACK.
Following the announcement that white labor would be used at the Dunlop factory in place of the striking blacks, a committee from the strikers to-day held a conference with the management of the factory with the result that an agreement was reached, whereby the men are to be taken back in their old places.

The contractors on improvements at Petersburg canal, Messrs. Lane Brothers, are now busy a day and night for work, and splendid progress is being made. They are under contract to finish the widening and deepening of the canal from the locks to a point several miles beyond Fendall Park by April 1st.

DIED OF THIRST.

Cattle Perish for Lack of Water, Streams Being All Frozen.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., Jan. 22.—In the County Court of Caroline this week the three negroes, Judson, Woody and Charles Walker, who were jointly indicted for feloniously assaulting Dr. Noland, of Port Royal, were acquitted. The evidence was purely circumstantial and not sufficient to warrant conviction.

William Warren, colored, while at work at the saw mill of Mr. Henry O'Byrne, in Stafford county, dropped dead by the side of the log carriage.

A pleasant social was held by the congregation and members of the Baptist Church last night.

A number of cattle, which are being wintered on the Marlborough works, on the Potomac River, in Stafford county, were found dead, having perished for the want of water, the river and all other sources of supply having been frozen for weeks.

Mr. George H. Morrison, manager of the Morrison Steam Coal Works, in this city, was badly scalded while examining some machinery at the plant, and is now confined to his home.

Much apprehension is felt of the safety of the wharves along the Potomac and Rappahannock Rivers, when the heavy ice begins to break up and move down with the current.

Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. J. L. Edwards.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
KING WILLIAM COUNTY, Va., Jan. 22.—Captain David Straughan, died in his home, "Matamoros," in the seventy-sixth year of his age. The funeral services and burial will take place from his residence to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Soon after the old York River Railroad was built, Mr. Alex. Dudley, the president of the road, requested Major B. B. Douglass to recommend a suitable man to him for the position of conductor, of the passenger train. Major Douglass recommended Captain Straughan, from his company, which position he resigned about fifteen years ago, to look after his farming interests, which was quite extensive. He was twice married; first to Miss Lucy Ann Pemberton, and second to her sister, Miss S. C. Pemberton. He had only one child, and that by the first marriage, and she married Mr. L. D. Robinson and died several years ago, leaving two children, Mr. S. Robinson and Miss Mary Robinson, who together with his wife survive him.

The remains of Mrs. J. L. Edwards, sister of Mrs. Straughan, who died in Richmond yesterday, will arrive this afternoon at "Matamoros," and both bodies will be interred at the same time to-morrow.

Captain Straughan was one of the largest land owners of this county.

THE COST OF MARRIAGE
DOUBLES IN SHENANDOAH

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WOODSTOCK, Va., Jan. 22.—The cost of a marriage license has been advanced from \$1 to \$2 in Shenandoah county. Under a recent act of the Legislature the clerk of the Circuit Court was required to issue the license, but no provision was made for their recordation, and the old law with reference to recordation stand, and the clerk of the County Court charged \$1 for this.

ALL LOVELY BETWEEN
SLEMP AND BOWDEN

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 22.—Colonel George E. Bowden, national committee man for Virginia, who is reported to have forced the election by the State Committee of Norfolk as the place of meeting of the State convention, and thereby aroused some ill feeling between himself and the local law with reference to recordation stand, and the clerk of the County Court charged \$1 for this.

Special Agents.

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REQUESTED TO ANSWER

Senate Adopts Gorman Resolution of Inquiry on Panama Matter.

TILLMAN MAKES A SPEECH

Addresses Senate at Some Length on Subject of Recess Appointments.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—The Senate to-day adopted the resolution of inquiry concerning affairs in Panama, introduced on the 6th instant by Mr. Gorman, and in addition, listened to a speech on the Panama question by Mr. Tillman and another on the subject of recess appointments to office, by Mr. Tillman. Mr. Tillman's address had special reference to the nomination of Collector Crum, of Charleston, S. C., but the fact that it also bore upon the nomination of Brigadier-General Wood, added to its interest.

Mr. Tillman defended the course of the administration in Panama, contending that it was patriotic throughout.

Following is the main point of the Gorman resolution as adopted:

Resolved, That the President be requested, if not in his judgment, incompatible with the public interest, to inform the Senate:

First, The date when and the circumstances under which the United States has used a military force in the internal affairs of New Granada or Colombia, under the treaty of 1848; whether such use of military force was on the initiative of the United States or by the request of New Granada or Colombia.

Second, Also to inform the Senate whether or not the United States has been asked by New Granada or Colombia, or by any official representative of either, to execute, by armed force, either the guaranty of the neutrality of the Isthmus or of the sovereignty of New Granada, or Colombia, over the same.

Third, And also to inform the Senate, in which, if any, of the disturbances on the Isthmus of Panama, referred to by the President in his last annual message, the United States employed a military force, solely on its own initiative, and uninvited by the government owning the Isthmus.

Fourth, And also that he will inform the Senate of the dates when and circumstances under which the United States has employed military force in the internal affairs of New Granada, or Colombia, on account of any revolt, or rebellion, or disturbance of the peace therein.

Constructive Recess.
Mr. Tillman was recognized to speak on his resolution, relative to Senate recesses. His remarks referred especially to the nomination of the negro, Crum, to be collector at Charleston, S. C.

Mr. Tillman disclaimed any power to consider this as a party question, but claimed that his desire was to prevent the establishment of a harmful precedent and to find out what the Senate thought of a "constructive recess."

He said it had remained for our present Executive to assert the right and exercise the power of making recess appointments between 12 o'clock and 12 o'clock of the same day.

Mr. Hale took exception to the statement that the President had committed himself to the proposition as set forth. He had never doubted that the comptroller would make short work of claims for salaries under such appointments. As for himself, he did not accept the theory of a constructive recess.

Mr. Tillman quoted a letter from Secretary Shaw concerning the appointment of Collector Crum, taking the position that there had been a constructive recess between the time of the adjournment of the late extra session and the beginning of the present regular session.

This, Mr. Tillman contended was in violation of the Constitution, and he also contended that there was no common sense in the plea that there was an interregnum between the extra session and the regular session, and that it was immediately adjourned to prepare for the other.

Mr. Spooner suggested that the result of following Mr. Tillman's reasoning would be to cause many vacancies in office.

In response, Mr. Tillman said: "This is the finest point I have ever heard the Senator make, but it won't go."

Mr. Spooner said that he agreed with the South Carolina senator in his reasoning on the subject of a constructive recess, but that he merely suggested a practical difficulty. If the nomination came in as of the session, the person nominated could not assume his duties until he should be confirmed. He cited the possible case of an emergency military appointment, but Mr. Tillman replied that there were always officers on hand to perform the duties required, and he said:

"That won't do; you'll have to shout again." He did not object to interruptions, he said, but wanted all the light he could get, "for," he said, "I have some thundering stuff here on this subject."

Mr. Tillman then quoted a number of precedents in support of his position. Among other utterances quoted were those of Charles Sumner and John Sherman, both of whom the Senator lauded.

Mr. Spooner rose, and said: "I don't suppose," said Mr. Tillman, "that the Senator from Wisconsin, objects to my eulogizing members of his party?"

"No," replied Mr. Spooner, "but I can't understand why he should wait until they are dead."

The Senate laughed, and Mr. Tillman declared that he had complimented all the sitting Republican senators by expressing confidence that they would not allow themselves to be dragged in the mire in support of this doctrine of a constructive recess.

Mr. Tillman dwelt upon the consideration of a similar merger of two sessions of Congress during the administration of Andrew Johnson, and Mr. Hale interrupted to express his satisfaction that the precedent had been cited. He considered it conclusive, and said:

"What was good law then is good law now."

Mr. Hale said that the Crum nomination, that of General Wood and others were not sent in as recess, but as regular appointments. This statement, he said, been confirmed by an inspection of the appointment papers.

Denies It.
"I deny it on the authority of Secretary Shaw," replied Mr. Tillman.

Mr. Tillman said Crum was now in office and he could not legally hold the place unless as a recess appointee as claimed by Secretary Shaw.

Without denying the Tillman resolution, the Senate resumed consideration of the Gorman Panama resolution, and Mr. Tillman was brought to his feet by a declaration of Mr. Tillman that he (Tillman) was driven from the Senate chamber the other day by the clear explanation of the Spooner law by Senator Spooner himself.

It was recalled the fact, interjected Mr. Tillman, "that I had pledged myself not to again interrupt the senator from Wisconsin, and I announced as I left that I could not sit still and listen to his fallacies without protest."

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

HEAD-ON COLLISION.
Seaboard Air Line Freight Trains Come Together.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 22.—A head-on collision between freight trains occurred on the Seaboard Air Line Railway shortly after midnight this morning, between Ridgeway and Manson, N. C., one hundred miles from Portsmouth.

Train No. 7 had orders to take the siding and allow No. 22 to pass her there. Failing to do so, the engineer of No. 7 sighted the opposing train shortly after leaving Ridgeway. He succeeded in stopping his train, but the engineer of the other freight did not see the headlight of No. 7 until too late to stop, and crashed into the motionless train at a speed of twenty miles an hour.

Both locomotives were badly damaged, and seven freight cars were piled up alongside the track as a result of the collision. Three men were injured.

They were Engineer Reed, Portsmouth, leg bruised; George Smith, colored fireman, and Brakeman Mack Rose, colored, were injured by jumping.

By 8 o'clock the track was cleared. Passengers who should have arrived here at 8 o'clock this morning got in this evening. All limited trains were transferred to the Atlantic Coast Line tracks and taken through on time.

The injured engineer is William A. Reed, who up to about a year ago resided in this city, but who now lives in Portsmouth. Mr. Reed is one of the most careful men on the road, and was wholly irresponsible for the collision, according to all the reports. His train, No. 22, had the right of way and but for the fault of the other train, there would have been no collision. His friends here will be pleased to know that his injuries are slight, consisting chiefly of a severe bruise on the leg. No bones were broken. Mr. Reed formerly resided at No. 406 East Grace Street.

Will Erect Lodge Building.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BRISTOL, Va., Jan. 22.—The Bristol Lodge of Elks, at a meeting held on Wednesday night, decided to erect a new three-story home on the lot of the lodge on Shelby Street, adjoining the new Bristol Courier building. The building will have a gray brick front, and will be provided with every convenience that the lodge demands.

THE LAUNCHING AT NEWPORT NEWS

Charleston Christening Party All Ready for the Event.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Jan. 22.—Preparations for the launching of the protected cruiser Charleston at the ship-yard to-morrow are about complete, and, unless there is some unexpected delay, the new fighter will go overboard for her first dip promptly at 12:30 o'clock, flood tide.

Mayor R. G. Rhett, of Charleston, S. C., which the Navy Department has designated as the vessel's name, arrived this morning with his party, via Richmond. The party is stopping at Hotel Warwick, and this afternoon the visitors were the guests of honor at a reception given by Mrs. William C. Stuart, a native of Charleston. In the party are Mr. R. G. Rhett, Mr. John H. Haden W., and Mrs. R. G. Rhett.

Other Charlestonians are expected to arrive to-morrow morning. After the launching the ship-yard will tender an elaborate luncheon at Hotel Warwick, at which the visitors from South Carolina will be the guests of honor.

Advocate-General Lemly and a party will arrive from Washington to-morrow to represent the Navy Department.

GRAVEFUL EULOGY.
The very graceful eulogy presented by them was adopted.

The Grand Commander of the United Confederate Veterans has fallen on the battlefield of life, and his passing has caused the loss of a very veteran soldier of the Confederacy. In the vigor of his manhood he entered the ranks of the army, and during the war, and rose steadily from the rank of captain of infantry to the position of major-general of the Sixteenth Alabama, a famous Georgia brigade, major-general commanding a division of the Army of Northern Virginia, and before the close of the war was listed for appointment as lieutenant-general.

Since being in each army a distinguished gallantry, leading his command in the face of imminent peril and through the deadly fire of battle to success and glorious victory. More than once he was severely wounded, and from the hospital he came back again and again to lead his men once more, until at the end he stood firmly upon the great command of his army in Virginia in the final scene at Appomattox.

When at last the war came to its close, with the same brave manhood and the same unselfish patriotism he led the people of his section in their struggle to restore the order of the State and to recover their fortunes. As the honored Governor of Georgia and as the principal States general, he won the confidence and admiration of all sections. In public and responsible positions he was recognized as a man of integrity and high and unselfish purpose of the noble soldier, citizen, statesman and patriot.

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